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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

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Examiner Name	R. Gitomer
Title: METHODS AND DEVICES FOR USE IN ANALYTE CONCENTRATION DETERMINATION ASSAYS	

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 29, 2003. The Restriction Requirement set forth a one-month time period for response, making a response due on or before **November 29, 2003**. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

I. REMARKS

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner required election of one of the following groups of claims:

- Group I: claims 1-14, drawn to a method for determining a concentration of an analyte;
- Group II: claims 15-23, drawn to a meter for determining a concentration of an analyte;
- Group III: claim 24, drawn to a system; and
- Group IV: claim 25, drawn to a kit.


Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, without traverse. Applicants expressly reserve the right under 35 USC §121 to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

II. CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number LIFE-023.

Respectfully submitted,
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